

[25th July, 2000]

RAIYA SABHA

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	1997-98		1998-99	1999-2000 *(SRP)
18.	Mizoram	0.00	0.00	380.00	400.00
19	Nagaland	37.11	382.90	501.63	423.00
20.	Orissa	2522.00	2761.15	3622.24	2016.00
21	Pondicherry	29.96	64.18	105.00	16400.00
22.	Punjab	1357.75	1538.81	1235.80	400.00
23.	Rajasthan	3841.71	3718.19	3320.00	4500.00
24.	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25.	Tamil Nadu	2981.37	3740.00	5479.66	8000.00
26.	Tripura	0.00	0.00	24.00	0.00
27.	Uttar Pradesh	4949.19	6128.44	6105.49	4074.00
28.	West Bengal	3264.94	2757.83	3700.00	2560.00
29.	NHAI	375.00	274.00	4000.00	0.00
30.	BRDB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31.	Other Institutions	13.00	0.00	10.00	0.00
TOTAL		49750.00	54980.00	68758.00	48307.72

NB - Funds are allocated State-wise and not National Highways-wise.

*SRP - Special Repair Programme

Super Highway Project

277. DR. M.N. DAS: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India have started construction work on the grand project to connect Kashmir with Kanyakumari and Silchar with Saurashtra; and

(b) if so, how much of the distance have been covered so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEONARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Out of the total length of about 7300 kms. of North-South & East-West Corridors, about 630 kms. are already four-laned. Further, work of four/six

laning of 20 sections of National Highways, totalling to a length of about 272 kms. is in progress.

Double Laning of National Highways in Andhra Pradesh

278. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:

SHRI RAMACHANDRAIAH RUMANDLA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the National Highways passing through Andhra Pradesh remain single lane; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to release resources from Central Road Fund to double lane these highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) National Highways are widened to two lane out of available National Highway (Original) funds and there is no proposal at present to release resources from Central Road Fund for this purpose.

Allahabad-Haldia National Waterway

279. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Waterway Number 1 to be ready in October" which appeared in the Statesman, dated the 27th June, 2000; and

(b) if so, the latest status of Allahabad-Haldia National Waterway Number 1?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) From end June, 2 meter Least Available Depth (LAD) is available from Allahabad to Haldia on National Waterway-I. Action is also in hand to sustain the LAD.

Norms for Highways Construction Projects

280. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state: